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1. An infantry barracks, capable of holding a battalion, is on the eastern edge of Targoviste. It consists of a two-story staff building, holding offices and the men of the staff company, a two-story quarters building for about 500, a one-story kitchen and mess hall, a one-story magazine, a one-story workshop and a stable for 32 to 34 horses.
2. The barracks is occupied by a Rumanian infantry battalion. This battalion belongs to the regiment whose headquarters is in Ploesti.
3. The staff consists of 23 to 25 persons and a staff company with a reconnaissance platoon, a heavy machine gun platoon, a communications platoon, altogether 44 or 47 men. There are three infantry companies.
4. The battalion commander is Major Litescu.
5. In October 1952 the battalion received 150 to 160 recruits, all from the class of 1931. Discipline is generally poor and the political officer watches the men all the time. In December 1952 a number of men from the battalion were sent to school in Bucharest. In February 1953 a number of Hungarians from Stalin (Brasov) joined the battalion. Recruit training lasts four months. In 1952 target practice was held three times.
6. Each company has 95 to 100 men and is composed of three platoons, of two squads each. The third squad of each platoon is armed with light machine guns. Each company has 5 or 6 pistols, 75 rifles, 12 or 15 machine pistols, 3 light machine guns and 90 or 95 gas masks. There are no vehicles at all.

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7. There is a munitions depot 4 kilometers north of Targoviste. It holds artillery ammunition up to 150 mm, light and heavy ammunition for infantry, antitank rockets, hand grenades and flares. The guard consists of one noncommissioned officer and 10 men. Two men are on duty during the day and three at night. There is also a work detail of 52 to 54 men, commanded by a first lieutenant.

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